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Reports from Ponce—Weekly and monthly.

During the week ended October 10, 1903, 3 vessels have been inspected and passed and 5 bills of health were issued.

Nothing of special interest has occurred either in the shipping or

sanitary lines.

Number and causes of deaths in Ponce jurisdiction (city, playa, and surrounding country), during the month of September, 1903.

| Disease of— Digestive system Nervous system Circulatory system Respiratory system Malarial fever Tuberculosis. Anæmia, inanition Nephritis | 13 6 12 12 11 29 | Disease of— Congenital atresia 1 Congenital atresia 1 Metritis 1 Rickets 1 Accidents 1 Hydraemia 4 Scarlet fever 1 Total 115 |
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| September, 1902: DeathsBirths | | September, 1903: 115 Deaths. 101 Births 101 |

Report of immigration at Ponce.

Report of alien passengers arriving at Ponce during the week ended October 3, 1903.

| Date of arrival. | Vessel. | Where from. | Number of immi- grants. |
|------------------|-------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Sept. 27 | Spanish ss. Puerto Rico | Barcelona, Palma de Mayorca, Valencia, Alicante, Málaga, Cadiz, Las Palmas, Tenerife; La Palma, San Juan, Porto Rico; Mayaguez, Porto Rico. | 12 |

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| Date of arrival. | Vessel. | Where from. | Number of immi- grants. |
|------------------|-------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Oct. 5 | French ss. St. Domingue | Fort de France, Pointe à Pitre, Basse Terre, St. Thomas. | 4 |

Report from San Juan and subports.

Chief Quarantine Officer King reports, October 9: Quarantine transactions of this and the six subports of the island of Porto Rico for the month of September, 1903:

San Juan.—Vessels inspected, 14; bills of health issued, 22; passengers detained at the quarantine station for observation, 1; vessels

detained in quarantine under guard, 3.

The American steamers Caracas and Philadelphia, of the Red D Line of vessels, arrived upon the 9th and 23d, respectively, from Venezuelan ports. These steamers were upon their regular schedules, bound north for New York and touching here for only a few hours. Both were placed in quarantine under guard while in port. The Caracas had no